Remarks/Arguments

35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1-9 and 11-12, stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Loke (U.S. Patent No. 6,311,048), in view of Fajen et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,517,688), herein after referred to as "Fajen".

Claim 10 was "objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims." (Office Action, page 4)

Claims 1 and 6 have been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 10, which has been canceled. As such, it is respectfully asserted that claims 1 and 6 are now allowable.

Since dependent claims 2-5, 7-9, and 11-12 are dependent from allowable independent claims 1 and 6, it is submitted that they too are allowable for at least the same reasons that their respective independent claims are allowable. Thus, it is further submitted that this rejection has been satisfied and should be withdrawn.

Having fully addressed the Examiner's rejections it is believed that, in view of the preceding amendments and remarks, this application stands in condition for allowance. Accordingly then, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully solicited. If, however, the Examiner is of the opinion that such action cannot be taken, the Examiner is invited to contact the applicant's representative at (609) 734-6804, so that a mutually convenient date and time for a telephonic interview may be scheduled.

No fee is believed due. However, if a fee is due, please charge the additional fee to Deposit Account 07-0832.

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